

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method of stuffing natural casings with emulsion involves placing a textured continuous belt transversely with respect to a longitudinal axis of a stuffing tube. The
5 textured belt engages with the natural casing on the stuffing tube and distributes a compressive force on the outer surface of the casing. The textured belt then rotates to advance the natural casing into engagement with a
10 twisting mechanism, which is downstream of the stuffing tube and prepares the casing for linking. The textured belt ensures that the natural casing is evenly fed into the twisting mechanism. A machine includes the foregoing components to accomplish the method.